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1. Art Unit: 1621 The reply filed on 7/8/029 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or

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1. The reply filed on 7/8/02 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): applicant failed to elect a specific species as required in the restriction requirement mailed 5/7/02. Applicant elected fig 1 as the species. Fig 1 is not a species since there are variables associated with said fig 1.

See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Samuel A Barts whose telephone number is 703-308-4630. The examiner can normally be reached on 6:30-3:00.

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